11th November 1961]

* 2016 *Q.*—SRI T. T. DANIEL : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have passed an order fixing the Madras scales of pay from 1st November 1956 to all Graduate teachers working in aided schools in the Kanyakumari district;

(*b*) if so, whether the order has been given effect to; and

(*c*) if not the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) & (*c*) Yes, Sir, in respect of teachers who are in service.

SRI T. T. DANIEL : In view of the fact that the order has not yet been implemented so far as the teachers working in the aided schools in the Kanyakumari district are concerned, although 13 months have passed since the Pay Commission has recommended that there shall be parity in the matter of service conditions between the teachers working under different agencies in the State, will the Government pass an order at least during the course of this Assembly session?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : I already answered this question yesterday and I also assured that the arrears would be paid with retrospective effect from 1st June 1960.

Compulsory free education

* 2017 *Q.*—SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) for how long compulsory and free education has been in force in Kanyakumari district;

(*b*) up to which standard; and

(*c*) the percentage of enrolment of the age group of 5–11 in the elementary school this year in Kanyakumari district and in other districts?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) From 1946.

(*b*) Up to V Standard.

(*c*) A statement[a] is placed on the table of the House.

* 2018 *Q.*—SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any resolution from the Education Ministers' Conference held recently in Delhi regarding the introduction of compulsory free education;

(*b*) if so, the details thereof; and

(*c*) the decision of the Government on that resolution?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) & (*b*) Yes, Sir. The conference held in November 1960 made the following recommendations :—

A comprehensive and up-to-date law should be enacted for the enforcement of compulsory attendance.

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a Printed as Appendix IV on pages 346–347 infra.